The Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)

<u>Purpose of Power Point</u>

- The goal of this Power Point is to provide Soldiers a good understanding of how SLRP works so they do not avoid their contract.
- Because Soldiers are not knowledgeable on SLRP they frequently violate their contract, miss payments, and sometimes even face recoupment. This can be corrected with proper education.

What is the SLRP?

 SLRP's purpose is to pay back a portion of *qualifying* student loans which Guardsmen have acquired throughout their college career.

Myth Versus Fact

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- The SLRP will repay ALL my loans.
- SLRP is like a Bonus in that it pays out automatically.
- After enrolling in the SLRP my loans become the Governments responsibility.
- New loans acquired after my contract date will be added to my SLRP payments.

- SLRP will only repay 90% of all qualifying loans acquired before your contract signature date.
- In order to receive payment it is your responsibility to initiate yearly payment requests within 90 days of your anniversary date.
- You are required to keep your loans within good standing. Loans in 'default' will not receive payment.
- In accordance with the most current Policy new loans cannot be added to your contract. However, please reference your Addendum to learn if you are authorized to add loans

How's it work?

- Loans acquired prior to the date of enlistment or extension will be eligible for SLRP payments.
 - The best way to know if your loans qualify is to review your NSLDS report (see slide 9 for online instructions).
- Every year for 6 years a payment of 15% will be made towards your qualifying loans. The minimum annual payment is \$500 and the maximum annual payment is \$7,500.

Responsibilities & Required Documents

As a Soldier enrolled in SLRP you have **many** requirements. It is your responsibility to initiate the annual payment process. If you are not proactive you will complete your 6 year obligation without receiving a single payment. It is **YOUR** SLRP so take responsibility of it.

Before moving on, here are two documents you will want to be familiar with:

NSLDS Full Report – A report that shows all student loans that qualify for SLRP payment. Both the Summary and Individual Loan pages are required each year.

DD -2475 – DOD Loan Repayment Annual Payment Application are required each year.

Retirement Points Accounting Management (RPAM) – To verify a good service year for the requested payment year.

What is Your Responsibility as a Soldier?

As a member of this program you have two types of responsibility; Initial & Annual responsibilities are what

must be done immediately upon taking the incentive. All this consists of is turning in the following documents to your Career Counselor, Retention/Readiness NCO, or which ever official your Unit designates to handle such paperwork.

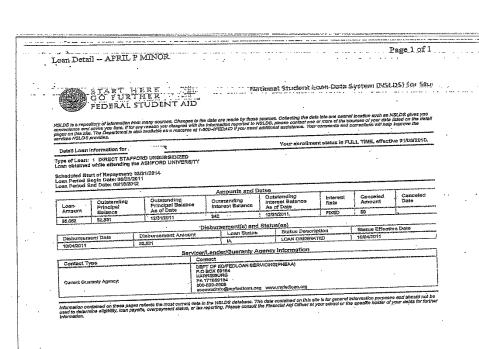
Annual Responsibilities are what must be done **every year**, 90 days prior to your contract anniversary date. In order to meet this requirement, you as a Soldier simply have to turn in the following documents:

- One complete <u>NSLDS report</u>
 with summary page and
 individual lender pages included.
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 with summary page and individual
 lender pages included.
- One <u>DD Form 2475</u> for every loan listed on the NSLDS summary page.

NSLDS Report Example

This is what an NSLDS report looks like. To the left is the NSLDS summary page, to the right is an example of what one of the individual loan pages look like. To provide a full report you will need to print off the loan summary pager and each individual loan page. You can acquire a full NSLDS by following the simple instructions on the next slide.

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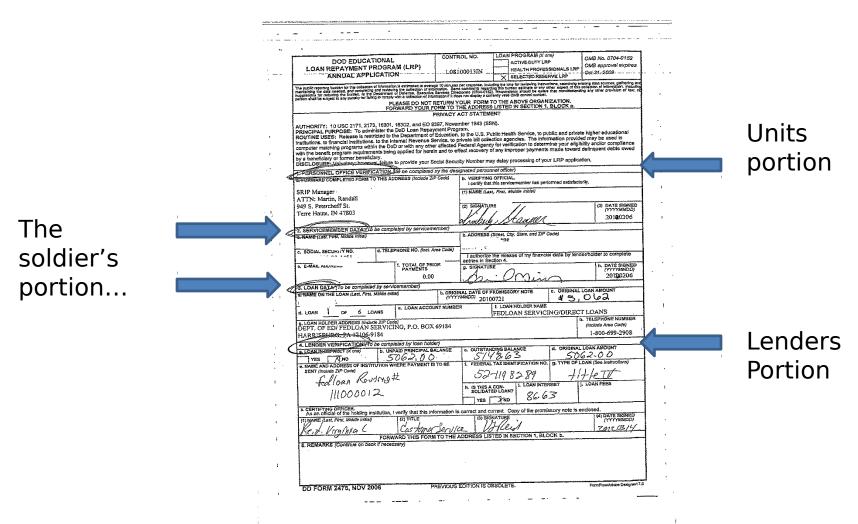


NSLDS Instructions

- First log onto this website www.nslds.ed.gov. This site has all your federally guaranteed student loan current information. You need a PIN number to log on. You already set the PIN number when you first applied for a federal loan (try the same one you use for all your 4-digit PINs).
- You can reset your PIN at www.pin.ed.gov. Click on "Request A Duplicate PIN". Answer the three questions (SSN, Name, Birth date). The next screen requires you enter your challenge answer (Mother's maiden name, elementary school, etc...) Submit request again. It will allow you to chose method of delivery of your PIN. Select "On Screen". Your PIN is displayed. Go back to the www.nslds.ed.gov site and re-enter your PIN.
- The first page lists all your loans. Click on each individual loan (green number in front of loan). Print (or save) this page. Do the same for all your loans. To attach to a word document (preferred method), do these steps. 1 With the loan web page open, press Control(Ctrl) + Print Screen(Prt Scr). 2 Open a word document, right-click and select paste. Your web page will be pasted to the word document. Ensure all dates are legible as this process may disfigure the numbers. Do this with every page including:
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- 2. EACH NUMBERED LOAN ON SUMMARY PAGE (DETAILED DISBURSEMENT SHEET) CLICK ON THE GREEN NUMBER IN FRONT OF THE LOAN
- **IMPORTANT: If your screen-shot does not include everything from your name on top to the Current Servicer/Lender/Guaranty Agency on the bottom, you will need to make a 2nd screen-shot to include all information. For consolidation loans include loans "Paid in Full, through consolidation" or "Non-Defaulted, Paid through consolidation". Documents missing information will not be accepted and payment can not be made until full loan information is provided! Thanks**

Example of DD Form 2475

These forms should be acquired through your unit or career counselor and are to be turned in every year in conjunction with your anniversary. In order to request payment, one DD 2475 must be completed for every loan listed on the NSLDS; for example the NSLDS in slide 8 shows **12** loans listed on the summary page. Therefore **12** DD 2475's must be completed. There are four portions to the DD 2475. Line one is completed by your unit, section 2 & 3 are filled out by you, and line 4 is completed by your lender.



Terminations & Breaches of Contract

Many Soldiers neglect to read their addendum. We urge Soldiers to read their SLRP Addendum often. Below are the most common examples of actions that will suspend or end your contract.

- 1. Moving from a traditional Guard position to a full time AGR/Military Technician.
- 2. Pursuing a scholarship through ROTC.
- 3. Become AWOL once during the contracted period.
- 4. Trying to take another incentive along with the SLRP.
- Missing signatures from Witnessing Official or Service Representative on SLRP Addendum (Refuse to sign until all parties are available)
- 6. Missing dates on your SLRP Addendum from you, the Witnessing Official, or Service Representatives. These dates must be the same! It must also be the same date you sign your enlistment/reenlistment documentation.
- 7. Leave the Unit/MOS which you contracted in, for any reason other than due to Mobilization, Promotion, or Unit Reorganization.

In closing, this incentive is great for Soldiers who are pursuing their education and want to avoid financial burdens. However, the Soldiers who don't familiarize themselves with SLRP are bound to run into problems.

For further clarification on LRP, be sure to contact your Battalion Strength Manager.